

Claim 37, wherein the anions (A) in said formula are sulfuric acid ions, carbonic acid ions, silicic acid ions, organopolycarboxylic acid ions, or phosphoric acid ions.

a1 40. (New) An additive for resins comprising a composite metal polybasic salt according to Claim 38.

SUB B1 41. (New) A heat insulator comprising a composite metal polybasic salt according to Claim 38.

42. (New) An anion-exchanger comprising a composite metal polybasic salt according to Claim 38. --

REMARKS

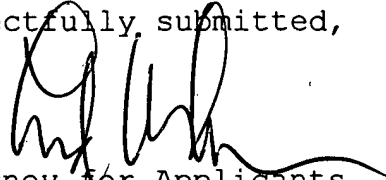
Entry of the foregoing amendments prior to examination of this application is respectfully requested in view of the following comments.

Claims 3-10 and 12-15 have been cancelled and new claims 16-42 have been added. Accordingly, Claims 1, 2, 11 and 16-42 are pending in this application.

Claims 3-10 and 12-15 have been cancelled to delete multiple dependencies and new claims 16-42 correspond to those multiple dependencies rewritten as single dependent claims.

No new matter has been added and applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance and an early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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